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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in reply to the May 23, 2005 Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application. The time for reply to this Office Action is, therefore, up to and including June 23, 2005. Accordingly, this reply is timely filed.

Remarks begin at page 2 of this Reply.